U.S. Customs and Border Protection

[1651-0100]

Petition for Remission or Mitigation of Forfeitures and Penalties Incurred

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 60-day notice and request for comments; extension of an existing collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA). The information collection is published in the *Federal Register* to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and must be submitted (no later than [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]) to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice must include the OMB Control Number 1651-0100 in the subject line and the agency name. Please use the following method to submit comments:

Email. Submit comments to: CBP_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov.

Due to COVID-19-related restrictions, CBP has temporarily suspended its ability to receive public comments by mail.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional PRA information should be directed to Seth Renkema, Chief, Economic Impact Analysis Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Office of Trade, Regulations and Rulings, 90 K Street NE, 10th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20229-1177, telephone number 202-325-0056, or via email CBP_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov. Please note that the contact information provided here is solely

for questions regarding this notice. Individuals seeking information about other CBP

programs should contact the CBP National Customer Service Center at 877-227-5511,

(TTY) 1-800-877-8339, or CBP website at https://www.cbp.gov/.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CBP invites the general public and other Federal

agencies to comment on the proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to

the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). This process is conducted

in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.8. Written comments and suggestions from the public and

affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points: (1) whether the

proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions

of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy

of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including

the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) suggestions to enhance the

quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) suggestions to minimize

the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through

the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection

techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission

of responses. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the

request for approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Overview of This Information Collection

Title: Petition for Remission or Mitigation of Forfeitures and Penalties Incurred

OMB Number: 1651-0100

Form Number: CBP Form 4609

Current Actions: Extension without change

Type of Review: Extension (without change)

Affected Public: Individuals and Businesses

Abstract: CBP Form 4609. Petition for Remission of Forfeitures and Penalties

Incurred, is completed, and filed with the CBP FP&F Officer designated in the

notice of claim by individuals who have been found to be in violation of one or

more provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930, or other laws administered by CBP.

Persons who violate the Tariff Act of 1930, or other laws administered by CBP,

are entitled to file a petition seeking remission or mitigation of a fine, penalty,

or forfeiture incurred under these laws. This petition is submitted on CBP Form

4609. The information provided on this form is used by CBP personnel as a

basis for granting relief from forfeiture or penalty. CBP Form 4609 is

authorized by 19 U.S.C. 1618 and provided for by 19 CFR 171.1. It is

accessible at

https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/publications/forms?title=4609

This collection of information applies to members of the public who may not be

familiar with import procedures and CBP regulations. It may also be used by

the importing and trade community who are familiar with import procedures

and with the CBP regulations

Type of Information Collection: CBP Form 4609

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.610

Estimated Number of Annual Responses per Respondent: 1

Estimated Number of Total Annual Responses: 1.610

Estimated Time per Response: 14 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 376

Dated: November 23, 2021.

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U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

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